

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have admirably ensured that state government provides its much-needed services and programs in the efficient, effective manner mandated by the public; and

Whereas, the Honorable Douglas E. Long, Jr., of Waynesville has served as Presiding Judge in the Pulaski County Circuit Court for more than sixteen years, an esteemed endeavor which he will draw to a close in honorable retirement on November 16, 2004, after more than twenty-eight years of service; and

Whereas, Judge Douglas Long was elected first as an Associate Circuit Judge on April 20, 1976, and then as a Circuit Judge in 1982; and

Whereas, Judge Douglas Long has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation for his activities as a member of the Judicial Records Committee, Certified Court Reporters Board, Future Legislative Action Committee, Time Standards Committee, and Model Fax Rule Committee; chair of the Missouri Automation Committee and the Presiding Judges Executive Committee; and president of the South Central Bar Association; and

Whereas, prior to his rise to the judiciary, Judge Douglas Long served in the United States Army Combat Engineers; as a special agent in the FBI who was selected to guard President Kennedy during the Cuban Missile Crisis, attend the Foreign Language Institute, and work in intelligence in the Caribbean during the Dominican Republic crisis of 1965; as an executive for a large multi-national corporation dealing with domestic security; as a member of a small corps of investigators in the "War on Crimes" with the Florida Governor's Office; as a private practice lawyer; and as a congressional emissary who traveled to South Vietnam to rescue twenty-eight individuals prior to the Communist capture of the country; and

Whereas, Judge Douglas Long is a member of the Masonic Lodge and the American, Missouri, and Pulaski County Bar Associations; and

Whereas, the beloved spouse of Ruth Berry Long, Judge Douglas Long is the loving father of Vicki Diggs, Douglas E. "Chip" Long, III, Randall Berry Long, and Colin Patrick Long, and is the wonderful grandfather of four children:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive career of Judge Douglas Long and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to the Honorable Douglas E. Long, Jr., Presiding Judge of the Pulaski County Circuit Court.

Offered by _____
Representative Bill Ransdall
District No. 148

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second

Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. _____, adopted _____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker

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